109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. CON. RES. 468

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should encourage and support the Government of Iraq to pursue a policy that would realign the provinces of Iraq to reflect ethnic boundaries among Shiites, Sunnis, and Kurds and provide opportunity for those groups to exercise control over designated areas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 6, 2006

Ms. Waters submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should encourage and support the Government of Iraq to pursue a policy that would realign the provinces of Iraq to reflect ethnic boundaries among Shiites, Sunnis, and Kurds and provide opportunity for those groups to exercise control over designated areas.

Whereas the war with Iraq began on March 19, 2003;

Whereas the Iraq war has cost United States taxpayers more than \$300 billion;

Whereas the Iraq war has claimed the lives of more than 2,600 members of the United States Armed Forces and injured more than 18,000 others;

- Whereas Iraq has descended into sectarian violence which has claimed the lives of at least 30,000 and possibly more than 100,000 Iraqis;
- Whereas the Government of Iraq and its security forces have not been able to stem the violence in Iraq;
- Whereas United States Armed Forces are caught in the middle of the sectarian violence in Iraq; and
- Whereas stability can not return to Iraq under the current United States policy which requires United States Armed Forces to remain in Iraq indefinitely: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that the
 - 3 United States should encourage and support the Govern-
 - 4 ment of Iraq to pursue a policy that would realign the
 - 5 provinces of Iraq to reflect ethnic boundaries among Shi-
 - 6 ites, Sunnis, and Kurds and provide opportunity for those
 - 7 groups to exercise control over designated areas.

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